IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA ELKINS

BERNARD BATTLE,

Petitioner,

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:12-CV-59 (BAILEY)

TERRY O'BRIEN,

Respondent.

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On this day, the above-styled matter came before the Court for consideration of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge John S. Kaull. By Local Rule, this action was referred to Magistrate Judge Kaull for submission of a proposed report and a recommendation ("R&R"). Magistrate Judge Kaull filed his R&R on October 5, 2012 [Doc. 9]. In that filing, the magistrate judge recommended that this Court dismiss the plaintiff's complaint [Doc. 1] with prejudice.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C), this Court is required to make a *de novo* review of those portions of the magistrate judge's findings to which objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the findings or recommendation to which no objections are addressed. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985). In addition, failure to file timely objections constitutes a waiver of *de novo* review and the right to appeal this Court's Order. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *Snyder v.*

Ridenour, 889 F.2d 1363, 1366 (4th Cir. 1989); *United States v. Schronce*, 727 F.2d 91,

94 (4th Cir. 1984). Here, objections to Magistrate Judge Kaull's R&R were due within

fourteen (14) days of receipt, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b).

The docket reflects that service was accepted on October 9, 2012 [Doc. 10]. To date, no

objections have been filed. Accordingly, this Court will review the report and

recommendation for clear error.

Upon careful review of the report and recommendation, it is the opinion of this Court

that the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation [Doc. 9] should be, and is, hereby

ORDERED ADOPTED for the reasons more fully stated in the magistrate judge's report.

As such, this Court hereby **DISMISSES** this matter with prejudice. Therefore, this matter

is hereby **ORDERED STRICKEN** from the active docket of this Court. The Clerk is directed

to enter a separate judgment in favor of the respondent.

It is so **ORDERED**.

The Clerk is directed to transmit copies of this Order to any counsel of record and

to mail a copy to the pro se petitioner.

DATED: November 8, 2012.

JOHN PRESTON BAILEY

CHIÈF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE